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MARGARET DICELLO ACQUITTED TUESDAY OF MURDER CHARGE

Joseph Lambro's Case Continued to February Term--Various Other Cases Heard During Week

Magaret Dicello, charged with the murder of Tony Greco on January 1 last in Kane, was acquitted in court here Tuesday afternoon after Judge Joseph Bouton had instructed the jury to return a verdict of not guilty. The jurors complied without leaving their seats. The judge ordered acquittal at the close of the Commonwealth's case, after one of the witnesses for the prosecution had testified that the Dicello girl's father had actually shot Greco. When the defendant's attorney then renewed a motion for her discharge, District attorney Thomas B. Wilson frankly admitted that the Commonwealth "apparently had proved that the defendant had not committed the murder"

The trial lasted only a few hours beginning at 10 o'clock in the morning. District Attorney Wilson appeared for the Commonwealth and E. G. Potter, district attorney-elect, and Fred D. Gallup for the defendant. After 27 talesmen had been sworn and examined, the following jury was selected:

Charles Jacobson, Willow Creek.
W. E. Greely, Duke Center.
J. H. Baker, Bullis Mills.
C. A. Johnson, Kane.
John A. Clay, Burrows.
John F. Magee, Bradford.
E. W. Christman, Kushequa.
L. D. Bunker, Otto township.
John Fitzgerald, Bradford.
Chauncey Carr, Port Allegany.
C. M. Colegrove, Smethport.
Lowell Rice, Coryville.

Pantaleone Pacifico, a witness of the shooting related the details of the affair, which corresponded in every detail with the girl's story which was given first publicity by the MINER several months ago. Greco was killed by the girl's father after the elder Dicello had refused to give him $50, and upon Greco's attempt to drag Margaret from the house Dicello shot him four times.

Margaret Dicello and her mother departed for Lock Haven Tuesday night where they will reside. During almost a year that the girl has been confined in the county jail she had become greatly attached to Mrs. Jones wife of the sheriff, and her children.

The farewell was a tearful one and Margaret declares she is coming back after awhile and do housework for the Jones family.

The regular term of criminal court convened Monday afternoon at 2 o'clock with Judge Joseph W. Bouton on the bench.

Abram Keery of Custer City was named as foreman of the grand jury R. C. Pollock of Bradford was appointed tipstave to wait upon the grand jury and Carl Benson of Kane as special tipstave for the term. The grand jury was sworn and after detailed instructions, lasting 25 minutes, by the court, as to their duties retired to their room to act upon the various matters to be submitted to them for their consideration.

The following men upon recommendation of James A. Lindsey, probation officer, were discharged from probation by the court: Walter Tompkins, Charles Beardsley, William Wooden, Lester Cook, William S. Behon, George Wade, George Clark, Earl L. Doud, Tony Leone, H. H. Donks, Sam Stoffer and A. C. Fink.

Edward Holland, charged with burglary and larceny in connection with the robbery of the Pennsylvania depot at Kane pleaded guilty. Sentence was suspended until the February term, and the defendant was permitted to go in his own recognizance in the sum of $1000.

The case of J. J. Coffey who was accidentally shot Sunday night in Bradford was continued on application of counsel. Coffey who is charged with larceny is now in the Bradford hospital in a critical condition.

The case of Wilbur Egan, charged with rape, was continued to the February term.

Archie Hevenor, charged with non-support, was by agreement of counsel ordered by the court to pay $50 cash and $10 a month for 30 months to James A. Lindsey, probation officer, for the support of the child Pearl Campbell. The defendant was directed to give bail for $300, conditional on carrying out the above sentence.

Glenn McKinney and James Lockwood, charged with burglary and larceny who pleaded guilty before the indictment was sent to the grand jury, was sentenced to eleven months in the county jail. McKinney and Lockward are two youths who broke into two houses in East Bradford several weeks ago, and carried off most valuable contents thereof.

William Mayberry of Bradford pleaded guilty of burglary and was sentenced to eleven months in the county jail. D. C. Foreman who also pleaded guilty to the same charge was sent to jail for six months. The two defendants were also fined $5 each. Mayberry and Foreman were arrested in connection with the theft of automobile tires in Bradford a week ago last Sunday.

Several assault and battery cases were disposed of Monday, the defendants being Archie Kettle, John Halleck, A. W. Peterson, and Frank Story. Kettle was fined $5 and committed to jail for two months. Halleck was fined $25 and costs, and Story was fined a similar amount. All three pleaded guilty.

John Walker and Ray Davidson drew heavy sentences on burglary charges, both being sentenced to solitary and separate confinement for not less than two years or more than three years in the Western Penitentiary.

Joseph Lembro, charged with first degree murder, was arraigned in open court, pleaded not guilty and on motion of his attorney, John A. Fitzgibbon, the case was continued to the February session. Lembro is alleged to have shot and killed Antonio Moreno in Bradford on September 20 last.

The case of the Commonwealth vs Walter Swedenjhelm charged with statutary rape was the first to come before the court in the morning. A jury was sworn. Pauline Vandernick was placed upon the stand by the Commonwealth and her testimony developed the fact that on November 28, 1919, she and the defendant Walter Swedenjhelm were married at Kane, Pa., by Rev. Mr. Beck, pastor of the Swedish Lutheran church, and since that time have been living together as man and wife. At this point F. D. Gallup, attorney of the defendant objected to further testimony of the witness on the ground she was the wife of the defendant. The court sustained his objection and District Attorney Wilson then stated that without the testimoney of the girl herself no case could be made out against the defendant. Whereupon under instructions of the court the jury returned a verdict of not guilty.

The case of the Commonwealth vs Eva Chase and Hazel Buchanan, charged with breaking and entering and larceny was nol prossed on motion of the district attorney.

Leo Magnon, indicted for larceny. This involved the taking of a plush robe and stable blanket from the barn of a Mr. Easton in East Bradford. The jury found the defendant guilty but recommended him to the mercy of the court, who sentenced the prisoner to sixty days in jail.

CUPIDS WERE WINNERS.

The basketball season opened at the Lyceum last Friday evening with a game between the High School and Cupids in which the latter team was victorious by a score of 44 to 22. The teams lined up as follows:

Cupids: McDermott and Josephson forwards; Nellis, Broughton and Bob Hull, guards; Reynolds, center.

High school: Gallup and L. Hull forwards; McCarthy and Daly; guards; Butzer center.

BUCKTAIL POST MEETING WAS INTERESTING

Bucktail Post, No. 138, American Legion held an interesting meeting at the hose parlors Friday night. The membership of the post now numbers 110, and many of them were present on this occasion.

The Post decided to secure the names of the next of kin of all service men from this district who lost their lives in the world war and these will be sent abroad at the request of the French government which will return certificates of commendation and condolence to the bereaved ones.

The formation of basketball teams composed exclusively of Post members was decided upon. The first game will be between the Gobs and the Doughboys at a date to be announced later.

Survivors of the Bucktail regiment of the Civil war are to be invited to hold their next reunion in Smethport as guests of the Bucktail Post.

James Dailey delivered a most interesting address against the I. W. W. Bolshevists movement and similar menaces to the welfare of the country.

The matter of War Risk insurance was discussed, legislation now pending making it probable that it will be greatly to the advantage of ex-service men to keep in good standing. All service men who have allowed their insurance to lapse are notified that they can be reinstated by the payment of two months premiums the month in which they allowed it to lapse and the present month. This condition is only possible until Dec 31, 1919, so delinquents should act quickly.

The entertainment committee members proved their worth by providing a most excellent "feed," which was heartily enjoyed.

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OFFICERS FIRE DEPARTMENT

At the regular meeting of the Smethport Fire Department last Thursday evening the following officers were elected:

Chief—John S. Hull.
Asst. Chief—Elmer Quirk.
Foreman Henry Hamlin Engine Co.—E. W. Strong.
Asst. Foreman Henry Hamlin Engine Co.—A. J. Hyatt.
Foreman Hose Co.—No. 1.—Fred Masser
Asst. Foreman Hose Co. No. 1—Elias Smith.
Foreman Hose Co. No. 2—Fred Beaver.
Asst. Foreman Hose Co. No. 2—Roy Chase.
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Asst. Foreman Chemical Co.—Howard Denning.
Foreman Hook & Ladder Co.—Leon Cochran.
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Secretary—Fred L. Milroy.
Treasurer—Guy McCoy.
Trustees—S. W. Hubbard, J. S. McCarthy, Fred Masser.

BOY BURNED TO DEATH AT SIMPSON TUESDAY

Louis Closser, the seven year old son of Mr. and Mrs C. W. Closser of Simpson was burned to death late Tuesday afternoon when the barn on the Closser farm was reduced to ashes.

Mr. and Mrs. Closser were in Bradford and the only occupants of the home were Mr. Closser's mother and three children. About 5:30 o'clock the youngsters went out to the barn to feed the stock and Louis climbed into the loft to throw down some hay. A gas light was burning in the barn at the time and the boy accidently threw some hay on the light. In a few moments the barn was a mass of flames.

Every effort was made to save the children, and through the timely aid of the grandmother and Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Scott who live a short distance away, all the children except the seven-year old boy were carried to safety. In the excitement it was believed that he had also escaped but when a search was made his death was discovered. Much credit is due Mr. Scott for the manner in which he carried on the rescue work.

The barn was totally destroyed with all the stock which consisted of two or three cows and a horse. A large amount of hay was stored in the barn. Mrs. Closser was only recently discharged from the hospital and has been staying with relatives in that city for the past few days. Mr. Closser, who is employed as an operator for the Pure Gasoline Company was out of the city but returned about 5 o'clock Tuesday afternoon. Shortly after his arrival in the city he was notified of the distressing news.

LOST!

Gold watch, knife and chain, between Munn's and Wright House. Reward for return to this office.

TANGRAPH

BIG WOODS BANDIT, WHO ROBBED BETULA MAN OF $790, PURSUED BY OFFICERS THROUGH THE FOREST

Charles Bjok, a teamster employed by Ward Guncheon at Betula, was assaulted and robbed by a masked bandit Monday night officers are now searching the big woods for Frank Barber, who came to Betula from Potter county, and is believed to be the man that committed the robbery.

Bjok was caring for his team in a barn at Frog Camp when the bandit entered jumped upon him and took a wallet from Bjok's clothing containing $790. Suspicion pointed to Barber as a few days ago he had bantered Bjok into showing him a $100 bill and in this manner discovered where the foreigner was in the habit of carrying his pocketbook.

Barber is said to be under indictment in Potter county on a larceny charge and is at liberty under $1000 bail. Yesterday afternoon the MINER'S correspondence at Norwich in furnishing the information for the foregoing article said that Constable Alex B. Teed and Frank Armstrong were about to take the trail in further search of the robber who is supposed to be hiding in one of the various abandoned lumber camps in the big woods.

No Strife in the Glass Industry, Says Association President Thos. W. Camp

Thos. W. Camp of Smethport, president of the American Window Glass Manufacturers association which is meeting this week in Pittsbugh, informed the MINER Monday that there is absolutely no trouble in the glass industry at this time between manufacturers and workmen. This is an exceptional situation when the industrial unrest all over the country is taken into consideration. Mr. Camp stated that the new wage scale provides for a slight increase in the pay of the workmen, but that there will be no raise in the price of window glass.

There would have been no shut down of the local factory pending settlement of wage scale, but as it happened a gas shortage has put the plant out of operation.

Work is being rushed at the Smethport factory to complete the installation of gas producers from soft coal, and there is every indication to believe that the contrivances will soon be in readiness to supply fuel for the plant. The drawback to resuming operations then will be the coal strike, but just as soon as a supply of coal can be secured the plant will again be placed in operation.

Mr. Camp also informed the MINER that the Empire Glass company of Shinglehouse struck another big gas well in the Fisk hollow field in Potter county that started with a production of 650,000 feet last Friday. Mr. Camp and various Smethport residents are stockholders in that company.

FOUND DEAD IN BED.

Anthony Lewis Sigsworth, one of the oldest, if not the oldest resident of Mt. Jewett, was found lying on his bed, dead at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Mary Magee on High street Monday morning. The discovery of his death was made by Mrs. McMahon, a granddaughter of the deceased, and the position of the body indicated that Mr. Sigsworth had arisen and had seated himself upon the bed before death overtook him. He had evidently been dead but a short time. The funeral arrangements have not yet been made.

The deceased was born at Fryburg, Clarion county, on January 1, 1826, and he would therefore have been 94 years old on New Year's day. He resided in Fryburg until two years ago when he came here to reside with his daughter. He is survived by two sons, James, of Okmulgee, Okla; Harold of Erie; and three daughters, Mrs. Robert McCluskey of Bridgeport, Ill.; formerly of Kane; Miss Rose Sigsworth, of Oil City and Mrs. Mary Magee of Mt. Jewett—Kane Republican.

BEARS ARE A NUISANCE.

Harrisburg, Dec. 8.—Bears have become such a nuisance in parts of Potter and McKean counties that Seth E. Gordon, acting secretary of the state game commission, last night issued a statement in which he expressed the hope that hunters will go into that section.

"I have just been investigating reports that bears have become so numerous that they are destroying sheep and raiding farms in Potter and McKean counties," said he. "I have found such reports well founded and there is good bear hunting to be had. This is the last week of the season for such hunting, and I hope sportsmen can help relieve a local situation in that part of the state."

THOMAS-SUMMERSON

Winfield S. Thomas and Miss Blanche Eunice Summerson, two of Betulas most popular young people were united in marriage Wednesday December 10, 1919 at the Methodist parsonage by Rev. Arthur Gregson. The Miner unites with their hosts of friends in extending best wishes for a long and happy married life to this worthy couple. Mr. Thomas served as a Marine during the war.

STOCKHOLDERS ANNUAL MEETING

Please take notice that the annual meeting of the shareholders of the Grange National Bank of McKean County at Smethport, Pa., will be held at its banking office in the Borough of Smethport, Pa., on Tuesday January 13th, 1920 from 12 until 2 o'clock P. M. for the election of Directors.

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DON'T MiSS GAFLOOEY'S

Gaflooey's engagement is drawing near. As was announced in last week's paper, his gigantic circus is sure to be here in the Lyceum. The high school athletic association has just received a telegram from Gaflooey, saying that he has had to hire six extra cars to transport the paraphernalia, but the High School has wired a reply to spare no expense, as they are willing to stand any reasonable outlay in order to bring the great circus to Smethport. No tax will be required of the spectators. The vast amount of equipment will all arrive Thursday night, so as to be ready for the performance Friday night.

The parade will be given at twelve o'clock and will march the whole length of Main Street. It will be so long that it will require at least an hour to pass a given point. A large number and variety of animals from the menagerie of the circus will be seen in the parade, but these will be only a small number as compared to the entire menagerie to be seen at the evening performance. The band will be dressed in full costume and will furnish delightful music. It is impossible to describe each and every sight in the parade, but we can say that its rival has never been found. The best part of it all is that the parade represents only on an extremely small scale the grandeur and vastness of the performance in the evening.

The main ring attractions are positively new and have never been seen in any circus before. Being new and with Gaflooey's reputation of having the best and most interesting performances, these can't help but offer the funniest and most laugh-producing stunts ever witnessed.

Remember that pop corn, peanuts and home-made candy will be sold at the circus. Perhaps we'll have some pink lemonade for you in case you become thirsty.

Let everyone in Smethport and the surrounding country be seen at the Lyceum on Friday evening. No doubt the house will be packed, so come early so that you may get inside the doors. If you hear the animals roar don't be frightened and back out for they are all muzzled.

So—

Come one, come all,
'Tis the very last call;
Cast all of your cares away;
Leave trouble behind,
And you will find
Laughter and fun—we'll say!

Charlotte Spanogle.
Howard Strong.

LOST SON RETURNS.

Jack, the long lost son of Mrs. Burns, made his sudden appearance here Tuesday. When questioned he replied, "Oh, I saw in the Miner where Gaflooey's Circus was coming to Smethport, so I came back."

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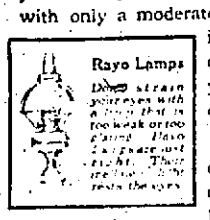
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CARDINAL MERCIER
Moral Hero of World War Pays Respects to Thrift.

THRIFT A SYNONYM FOR LAW AND ORDER

Cardinal Mercier Recognizes Importance of Government Savings Plan.

The efforts of the United States Treasury to promote popular saving and wise investment have gained an additional strong endorsement from Cardinal Mercier, Primate of Belgium, who won the hearts of all Americans during his recent visit here. The Patriarch of the little land of thrift and courage wrote to the Savings Division of the Third Federal Disctrict as follows:

"I fully appreciate the importance of the effort which the United States government is making with a view to establishing in the minds of the people of your country the necessity of thrift. I am the more able to express an opinion on the subject, that my own people in Belgium are among the most thrifty in the world, and I frankly say this with a certain pride, for to me does that fine courage of the people, working, united, to recover over the wreck and most cruel ravages of the war in the period just before the armistice, government of the American people was able to afford practical relief everywhere. There is no doubt, also, that habits of thrift teach men the value of money and serve to familiarize them with a sense of responsibility, and this in turn makes for law and order."

PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC SCHOOLS TO TEACH THRIFT

Education Congress Urges Its Permanency in the Curriculum.

To make the teaching of Thrift and Economy compulsory and permanent in all elementary, secondary and higher schools was the consensus of opinion of the prominent educators, who met at the Educational Congress last week at Harrisburg, Pa., to discuss the current problems in connection with public instruction.

"The development of the habits of thrift is a psychological problem in the schools," said Dr. Benjamin Andrews, of Washington, D. C. "It must be worked out in theory and in practice. Thrift can be taught in connection with mathematics by the preparation of personal budgets and by the common-sense application of the principals of gain and loss. Then every school should devote a special period to developing the habits of earning and saving. Every school should have a bank in which the rudimentary ideas of investment should be practically worked out."

To this end every possible means was advocated. Miss Edna N. White, of the State University of Ohio, thoroughly emphasized the fact that in our schoolroom ample time should be given over to sound, fundamental object lessons in thrift, in the care of school supplies, conservation of clothing, expenditure of allowances and to the first principle of wise saving and safe investment.

At the close of the discussion the following resolution was presented by W. Harrison Walker, of Bellefonte, Pa., and was unanimously adopted:

Whereas, The Federal Government, through the United States Treasury Department, has requested the schools of the country to continue the sale of Government Savings Stamps, and to develop a permanent system of thrift education, and

Whereas, The National Education Association in a resolution of July 5, 1919, urged that "all elementary schools, secondary schools and higher schools make compulsory the teaching of thrift and savings, and thereby give it a place of permanence in the curriculum," and

Whereas, Doctor Thomas E. Finegan, State Superintendent of Public Instruction for Pennsylvania, has stated in a letter to E. P. Passmore, Governor of the Third Federal Reserve District, dated October 9, 1919, "I am in favor of incorporating in a revised curriculum for the public schools the subject of Thrift;" therefore,

Be it resolved, That the Thrift Session of the Educational Congress held under the direction of the Department of Public Instruction of Pennsylvania, meeting at Harrisburg, November 20, 1919, heartily endorses the approval given to the Government Savings Movement by Superintendent Finegan, and urges that in the proposed revision of the curriculum of the public schools of Pennsylvania the teaching of Thrift and the sale of Government Savings Stamps should be made compulsory and given a definite and permanent place.

Among other public spirited men and women, there were present: George E. Lloyd, Director of Savings, who presided over the session on "Thrift;" Dr. G. T. Zook, of State College; James Schneider, of Lancaster; M. F. Jones, of Tioga county; E. M. Moore, for the Department of Labor and Industry; Mrs. Lloyd Shaw, representative of the State Parent-Teachers' Association; Dr. W. D. Lewis, of Philadelphia; Dr. John P. Garber, of Philadelphia; Dr. W. M. Davidson, of Pittsburgh; Dr. F. W. Robbins, of Williamsport; Dr. H. W. York, of Lancaster; Dr. J. L. Finney, of Mercersburg; Dr. George Rock, of Harrisburg, and many Savings County Chairmen of the Third Federal Reserve District.

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TO CONTROL SPIRITS OF EVIL

Chinese Have Distinct Object in Erecting Pagodas, and Country Is Garlanded With Them.

Chinese pagodas are the work of the Buddhist church almost exclusively. The most beautiful specimens are in the Yangtse valley, where pagodas are the most numerous. Every important Chinese and Manchurian city is garlanded with them. From the walls of Pekin a dozen pagodas and towers may be counted within the city, and with a good glass a half dozen may be seen rising from the surrounding plain.

Chinese have appropriated the pagoda as a counterpoise to evil, and use it subject to their rules of harmony. At a city in Tung, in the Pekin plain, a region in past years visited by earthquakes, there is a prominent pagoda, which at one time had 1,000 bronze bells suspended from its cornices, most of which are still in place. The people have this story of its construction:

A water owl lives underground at this place, and when he shakes his tail it causes earthquakes. Geomancers located the end of his tail, and the pagoda was built on it to hold it down. However, they could not locate his head, and thus he is still able to wink his eyes, which causes trembilings of the earth. When his eyelids have been accurately located a second pagoda will be built.

Pagodas range in height from 20 to over 200 feet, and are of various shapes, such as round, square, hexagonal, etc. They always have an odd number of stories, ranging usually from seven to nine, and sometimes with eleven, or even thirteen.

Mr. Fred White Says "Don't Idle Because You Only See One Rat."

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Beauty

Animals living in nature are everywhere beautiful, but it is only among men that [illegible] Savages nearly everywhere are [illegible] and hope [illegible] only among the civilized that lawlessness and discord are permitted to prevail. If the eugenic ideals that are now dawning before men's eyes never lead us to any heaven at all, but merely discourage among us the generation of human creatures below the level of decent savagery, they will serve their turn.—Havelock Ellis.

Brains Not Their Strong Point.

Even an oyster has a brain of a sort; and a clam likewise. The brains of fishes are very inferior, as compared with those of mammals, but the optic lobes are enormously developed because fishy creatures, to get the food they need, must be able to see well in dim light under water. Reptiles generally are very stupid creatures, and so it is not surprising to find that their brains are remarkably small. That of a 12-foot alligator is no bigger than your thu

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COURT HOUSE NEWS

MARRIAGE LICENSES.

Dec. 1—Louis Frank Bohn of Butler, Pa., and Maud Frances Smith of Philadelphia, Pa.

DEEDS

Nov. 29—Adelaide E. Boyer (et al) to Henry E. Mott and wife, Ceres $1.

Annetti M. Newman and husband to Margaret MacEwen, Wetmore $1.

Nora G. Hodgson to Dallas L. Milliron, Kane $1.

William Edward Henry and wife to Milton A. Fitzgerald and wife, Kane $1.

Dec. 1—Timothy Sullivan and wife to Luis Cattoni, Bradford Twp. $1.

S. P. Heasley heirs of to Ray J. Cooper, Bradford $1.

Frank A. Heasley and wife to Clarence S. Heasley, Bradford $4000.

George K. Welch and wife to Adelaide Boyer, et al, Bradford $1.

Mary E. Vaughn and husband to Arthur D. Vaughn, Eldred $1.

Laura Taylor ann husband to Andrew Johnson, Otto $300.

John H. Edwards and wife to Andrew Johnson, Eldred Twp. $5625.

C. A. Dolley wife to C. F. Boller, Port Allegany $2200.

Dec. 2—George A. Barron et al, to W. L. Mix, Eldred Twp. $50.

Bridget M. Gash to Joseph A. Grow Bradford $2000.

Lewis Larson to Thure Ekstrom, Kane $1700.

Thure Ekstrom and wife to George LaBenne, Kane $2300.

Mary Drew Hudson and husband to Henry C. Hopp and wife, Bradford $1.

W. R. Ventres and wife to Harry S. Duffy, Liberty $15,000.

Dec. 3—C. S. Gibson and wife to Joseph Hunter and wife, Liberty $1000.

Charley Chapin and wife to Rosemound Watson, Port Allegany $700.

Patrick Nevils to Carroll Yentzer and wife, Liberty, $4000.

Laura E. Chappell and husband to Louise D. Conklin, Bradford $4000.

Henry E. Smith and wife to A. J. Hanna, Otto $1.

Dec. 4—August Mellunder et al to N. P. Lantz, Mt. Jewett $760.

N. P. Lantz and wife to Adolphe Henry Lantz, Mt. Jewett $760.

August C. Anderson, et al, to August Linde, Mt. Jewett $550.

Dec. 5—Patrick Buchanan and wife to Edna Walchik and husband Bradford $1000.

G. A. Weiss and wife to Charles B. Ellason, Kane $100.

Charles B. Ellason and wife to Angelo Giudice and wife Kane $1.

Christopher Armstrong Argue and wife to Ralph Rose, Lewis Run $600.

Anna M. Bailey et al to Sam Fedele, Bradford $1100.

Carlo Venturo et al to Sam Fedele Bradford $1000.

Helen E. Willis and husband to Julia Surra Fedele, Bradford $1.

Julia Surra Fedele and husband to John Luciano and wife, Bradford $300.

Adaline S. Constock et al to C. J. Carey, Eldred Twp. $50.

Pasquale Franco and wife to Citizet Natural Gas Company, Lewis Run $500.

SATISFACTION OF MORTGAGES

Dec. 1—R. A. Delo to John B. Walters, Foster $1100.

Dec. 2—Mary A. Drew to D. T. Drew, Bradford, $1000.

Dec. 3—F. G. Kieff to Katherine M. Bailey, Bradford $800.

Dec. 5—Bernard Gunn Administrator of to Paul R. Kautz and wife, Bradford $1000.

ASSIGNMENT OF MORTGAGE

Dec. 3—Julia A. Cummings to Anthony Haley, Bradford $2287.56.

Swordfish a Fathead.

It surely would be imprudent to address that formidable creature, the swordfish as Fathead, yet the term would be quite appropriate.

The heads of one hundred average swordfish will yield sixty-five gallons of an oil that has high market value. Refined and sun bleached, it is indistinguishable from whale oil, and fetches the same price. In fact, commercially, it is whale oil.

Whale oil is obtained on a much larger scale from halibut heads, which are treated in the same way as the swordfish heads—i. e., cooked to a pulp with steam and pressed. A short ton of them will yield forty gallons of oil. Boston and Gloucester (Mass.) annually produce twelve thousand gallons of refined whale oil from halibut heads.

"Away back in the '70s somebody discovered that salmon heads were rich in oil, and since then the production of it has been a considerable industry in connection with the Pacific salmon fishery. By 1895 the annual output had risen to fifty thousand gallons.

His Identity.

"I see you have a new professional man in town," said the picture enlarger, who visited the hamlet sufficiently often to be mildly interested in the happenings thereof. "I noticed the sign, 'J. W. Bloor, O. D., M. T. D., D. C.' What is he practicing, anyhow—logomachy?"

"Nope; economy and eye doctoring," replied the landlord of the Petunia tavern.—Kansas City Star.

Canada's Fuel Resources.

The fuel resources of Canada are situated in the extreme east and west and the western part of Alberta; the lignite coals are situated in the provinces of Alberta and Saskatchewan, but lying between the limits of these deposits is a great stretch of territory devoid of coal measure of economic value. The 12,000 square miles of peat bogs are situated in this area.

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McKean County Miner

Thursday, December 11, 1919.

LOCAL & GENERAL

—Edwin Lindholm was in Mt. Jewett Friday evening.

—Arthur Dardienne, John Springer and Walter Ripa of Port Allegany were in town Saturday evening.

—Miss Edna Olson entertained the members of the K. B. Club at her home Wednesday evening of last week. Elegant refreshments were served and a pleasant time was enjoyed by all.

—Frank Warrenburger departed Saturday for Brookville where he has secured a place in a glass factory. He had been working in the Smethport factory as a flattener during the recent run and expects to return here when the factory again resumes full operation.

—J. M. Flickenger of Mt. Jewett has filed a claim against the Kushequa Brick Company. He asserts he sustained injuries to one knee through a fall he received while attempting to start a gas engine on or about March 9, 1919. He claims he is still disabled. Date for the hearing has not been decided.—Kane Republican

—E. F. McCann, of Bradford, newly elected treasurer of McKean county, and his charming helpmate, Mrs. McCann, are preparing to move to Smethport, where they will reside during Mr. McCann's term as treasurer. Mr and Mrs. McCann have engaged a suite of rooms at the New Grand Central hotel which are being made ready for their occupancy. Mrs. McCann will act as her husband's clerk during his term a position which she is splendidly qualified to fill.—Kane Republican.

—County Commissioner Thomas Flaherty is confined to his home on Clark street suffering from a broken rib, which he sustained two weeks ago on the Potter lease at Sonchird where he is a contractor of drilling operations. Mr. Flaherty slipped and was struck by a crank shaft. He thought that perhaps a rib was cracked, but paid little attention to the matter until Monday of this week when he suffered considerable pain while at the commissioners' office in Smethport. He visited Dr. Chadwick who discovered that the rib was broken.—Bradford Star-Recor.

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At All Drug Stores

—Charles Gross, of Toby, Elk County has been missing from his home since November 9 and not a sign of him has been seen since that time. He hitched his team of horses to a buggy and told his wife he was going on a short trip and that was the last seen of him. He was an industrious farmer and his friends are unable to account for his long absence.

—One point which helps to make Kane an attractive town in which to reside is the fact that the prices of groceries and foodstuffs here compare most favorably with those of surrounding towns and cities. Take for instance eggs, which are reported to have hit the dollar mark in Warren. Fresh eggs may be purchased here for around 75 cents. Lard and butter are also a trifle under the quotations from other towns. A comparison in meat prices will also convince one that here, too, Kane residents have the advantage of several cents on every pound purchased.—Kane Republican.

—George B. Sharp, one of the Justices of the Peace in Austin, and a very energetic man, called up the Journal on Friday and in his own proper voice, which we were delighted to hear, informed us that he was very much alive. The Austin correspondence in last week's Journal averred that he was dead. Investigation of the blunder revealed the fact that in setting Austin correspondence his name had been used by the compositor, in connection with the death of Oscar Claflin, instead of in the paragraph telling of Mr. Sharp's return from a visit to New Brunswick.—Coudersport Journal.

HOLSTEIN ASSOCIATION.

In response to the call for the Holstein Meeting at Smethport, Nov., 26, twenty-six men appeared in Smethport for the meeting in spite of the inclement weather. Mr. Welch from The Pennsylvania State College, after a very good address acted as chairman for the meeting.

According to parliamentary rules motions were made seconded and passed in reference to the following:

I. That the Holstein Men in McKean County organize themselves into the McKean County Holstein Breeders Association.

II. That all herds in the association may be placed under supervision of the State and Federal authorities to eradicate tuberculosis, by the Accredited Plan on or before January first, 1921.

III. That any member of the association that knowingly sells an animal with defects or unsoundness without first declaring it to the purchaser will be expelled if sufficient proof can be found.

IV. That the dues of this association be $2.00 per year.

V. That the Board of Directors consist of five members and they elect officers of the association from their number. The following men were elected as members of the Board of Directors, D. L. Dennis, Eldred; Ed McKean, Smethport; O. W. Abbey Port Allegany; W. H. Blew, Kane; and A. J. Gilhillan Smethport Pa.

VI. That the president appoint a committee on Constitution and By-Laws to meet before the next meeting of the Association.

VII. That the second meeting of the Association for the purpose of adopting Constitutional By-Laws to meet December 18th at Smethport.

Having no further business the meeting adjourned and the Board of Directors elected the following officers:

President—A. J. Gilhillan, Smethport Pa.

Vice President—Ed McKean, Smethport, Pa.

Secretary and Treasurer W. H. Blew, Kane, Pa.

It is hoped that all Holstein Breeders of the County will read carefully the above clauses which are to be incorporated in the By-Laws and attend the next meeting in order that the Association may be representative of the County, and able to do much for the Holstein Breeders of the County

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SINGAPORE TO HAVE TAXIS

Far Eastern City Will Abandon the Rickshaw, Long Used as Method of Transportation.

According to advices from Consul General Edwin N. Gonzales at Singapore, that city is to have an internal transportation system of thoroughly modern taxicabs.

Whether American automobile manufacturers will secure the order for these motors is problematical; but the most significant part of the news is that it marks a further development of the use of modern methods in the far East.

For several years in Singapore there has been a most consistent and vigorous agitation against the institution of the well-known rickshaws. Most of this agitation came from the tongue and pen of the educated Chinese, who maintain that the system of making a horse out of men is wrong from the standpoint of the degrading influence which it has on the individuals as well as the harm it is claimed to work upon the coolies.

Distances are great in most far Eastern cities, and while the rickshaw makes transportation reasonably convenient and comfortable, the rickshaw most certainly is a primitive vehicle and doomed to early abandonment because of the rapid advance now being made in the industrial and social life of the far East.

The new company to operate in Singapore is to be officially known as the Singapore Motor Taxicab and Transport Company, Ltd., and will have capital of $350,000. The initial equipment will be made up of 40 landaulet taxicabs, five one-ton trucks and five three-quarter ton trucks. Singapore has a population of 300,000.

HIGH PRICES FOR DIAMONDS

Value of the Highly Desired Sparklers Has Been Soaring to Unheard-of Heights.

The economic situation of the world at large is said by jewelers to be more responsible for the present high prices of diamonds than any shortage of diamonds in the South African mines or any manipulation of the output by the De Beers Diamond company.

The following figures concerning diamond prices were obtained from Antwerp, the European center of the diamond market. An uncut diamond before the war cost $23 a carat and $62 after cutting. Immediately after the declaration of war, the price slumped. In 1915 the Germans began to get nervous regarding the value of paper money and started buying all the diamonds they could find.

France, Switzerland, Italy and England followed suit and the price went up rapidly. On the eve of the armistice, an uncut carat diamond was worth $70. Since the war ended, the diamond market has boomed, owing to the depreciation of European money, the difficulty of exchange and the embargo on the export of currency from one European nation to another. Today a carat of uncut stone finds a ready market at $150.

The Antwerp merchants no longer seek customers. The market is swamped with buyers. Credit is no longer given. The sales are for cash. The buyer frequently resells and the new purchaser sells again at fat profits. Thus the price keeps going up. Large stones are snapped up at unheard of prices.

The Kaiser's Kitchen.

In what is destined to be the last stage of its travels, the field kitchen of William Hohenzollern, which had followed the former Kaiser in all his wanderings about Europe during the war, is on its way to the United States. As if to give the changing of hands a more significant aspect, German prisoners of war were requisitioned to load the field kitchen—aboard all its elaborate accessories—aboard the westbound transport at St. Nazaire. The portable "kochenhaus" shows no sign of the wear and tear of war, indicating a certain remoteness to the battle front of all connected with the once imperial suite. The trophy, it is intended, shall be added to a notable collection of war relics at the American capital; whether it is to be utilized in the ways approved by the former kaiser is, of course, another matter.

Dreadful Threat.

"Late again!" cried the irate moving picture director to the members of his company. "Do you actors think that you can stroll into the studio at half-past ten every morning and get away with it? This isn't a national bank. But, by humphrey, I'll get even with you! Tomorrow we start filming that Alpine drama with the fog and cloud effects. Report at the old quarry at 4:30 a. m. You are all going to be shot at sunrise every morning for a week." Being shot at sunrise is harder hardship for a movie actor than it is for a prisoner of war.—Film Fun.

Knew Something About Mothers.

Ralph went to visit a neighbor's little boy. While there another boy came to play also; but he was something of a bully and Ralph did not like him. When he reached home he told his mother *some of the mean things* the boy had said and done. "He was so disagreeable I am sure nobody could like him," he said. Then after a moment's meditation he looked up into her face and added: "I suppose though, his mother loves him, no matter how bad he is."

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REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF THE GRANGE NATIONAL BANK OF McKEAN COUNTY, AT SMETHPORT, IN THE STATE OF PENNSYLVANIA, AT THE CLOSE OF BUSINESS ON NOVEMBER 17th, 1919.

Resources.		
1 a. Loans and discounts, including rediscounts, (excepting those shown in b and c)	402,930.94	
Total loans	402,930.94	
f Foreign Bills of Exchange or Drafts sold with indorsement of this bank, not shown under Item d above (see Item 53c)		402,930.94
2. Overdrafts, secured, none; unsecured,	153.51	153.51
3. U. S. Government securities owned: a Deposited to secure circulation (U. S. bonds par value)	100,000.00	
d Pledged as collateral for State or other deposits or bills payable	22,000.00	
f Owned and unpledged	44,337.00	
Total U. S. Government securities		166,337.0
4. Other bonds, securities etc.: b Bonds other than U. S. bonds pledge to secure postal savings deposits	2,000.00	
c Securities other than U. S. bonds (not including stocks) owned unpledged	47,990.62	
f Collateral Trust and other notes of corporations issued for not less than ONE YEAR nor more than THREE YEARS' time	15,776.99	
Total bonds, securities, etc., other than U. S.		65,767.6
9 Stock of Federal Reserve Bank (50 per cent of subscription)		3,000.0
10. Value of banking house owned and unencumbered	20,000.00	
b Equity in banking house		20,000.0
11 Furniture and fixtures		7,200.0
13. Lawful reserve with Federal Reserve Bank		35,050.7
14. Cash in vaults and net amounts due from national banks		45,141.5
18 Checks on other banks in the same city or town as reporting bank (other than Item 16		926.3
Total of Items 14, 15, 16, 17 and 18.	45,971.22	
19. Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer and due from U. S. Treasurer		3,000.0
20. Interest earned but not collected—approximate—on Notes and Bills Receivable not past due		4,008.1
Total		750,319.1

Liabilities.		
22. Capital stock paid in		100,000.00
23. Surplus fund		30,000.00
26. a. Undivided profits	17,808.94	
b. Less current expenses, interest, and taxes paid	7,788.14	10,020.8
25. Interest and discount collected or credited in advance of maturity and not earned (approximate)		771.3
26. Circulating notes outstanding		100,000.0
30. Certified Checks outstanding		3,014.3
38. Cashier's checks on own bank outstanding		48.2
Total of items 30, 31, 32 and 33	3,062.60	
34. Individual deposits subject to check		211,060.8
35. Certificates of deposits due in less than 30 Days (other than for money borrowed)		120,157.62
37. Deposits requiring notice but less than thirty days		212.5
38. Dividends unpaid		61.0
39. Other demand deposits		5,269.0
Total of demand deposits (other than bank deposits) subject to Reserve, Items 34, 35, 36 37 38 and 39	337,030.94	
42. Postal savings deposits		886.74
45. Other time deposits		156,908.72
Total of time deposits subject to Reserve, Items 40, 41, 42 and 43	157,795.46	
44. b. War savings certificates and thrift stamp deposit account	37.98	
c. Other United States deposits, including deposits of U. S. disbursing officers		37.9
48. Bills payable, other than with Federal Reserve Bank (including all obligations representing money borrowed other than rediscounts)		15,000.00
Total		756,319.17

State of Pennsylvania, } ss:—
County of McKean, }

I, E. E. Drake, Cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.
E. E. DRAKE, Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 25th day of November, 1919.
E. R. MAYO, Notary Public.
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Smethport, Thursday, December 11, 1919.

This year's Presidential message is a conventional document. It discusses few controversial questions and there is nothing special to commend or condemn. This lack of anything outstanding is a natural consequence of the President's physical condition. The reports of the heads of the various departments have been thrown together and summarized. There is no central authority at Washington. What government there is resides with a Cabinet committee. It is not likely that the president reads, much less digests, the mass of documents that nominally come to his desk. There is significant silence. The railroad question is not mentioned, nor the peace treaty, nor Mexico. These exclusions, as well as the difference in the tone of the language, leave little doubt that the president is still compelled to rely on others, and raises once more the question of how long will it be possible for the government to function effectually with no head.—New York Tribune.

WRITE IT CHRISTMAS.

Can anyone explain the origin of that ugly abbreviation, "Xmas!"

There are two words in the English language which may be called beautiful; words which are full of such deep meaning and heart stirring sentiment that one feels like reverently bowing the head when they are spoken—so sacred is the meaning they imply. One of these words is "Mother," and the other is "Christmas."

To butcher, mutilate, haggle and chop the beautiful word "Christmas" into the meaningless, ugly, unsightly abbreviation of "Xmas" seems nothing short of sacrilege.

Let's all adopt the slogan: "Write it C-H-R-I-S-T-M-A-S."—Kane Republican.

The foregoing article has the sincere endorsement of the MINER. The form, Xmas, has long been a pet aversion of the writer's and we are pleased to offer our services to help banish its use from the English language. No matter how many reasons are offered for its use not one of them can satisfactorily explain why liberties should be taken with the name of the Saviour. We heartily agree with the Republican that the use of Xmas for Christmas borders on sacrilege.

A writer on moving picture topics in the Saturday Evening Post calls attention to the fact that films are subjected to a more strict censorship in Pennsylvania than in any other state in the Union. It is quite a shock to many of us to discover that our morals are so frail that we have to have our amusements diluted to the one-half of one per cent standard, but also explains that puzling lapses that so often occur in the films displayed for our edification. According to the long-haired men and short-haired women, who presumably make up the board of censors in this state, we must be content in the belief that storks bring babies as any suggestion of approaching motherhood is strictly taboo. Furthermore all boxing matches must be eliminated; it is so wicked to "sass" a policeman that all such situations must be cut out—in fact the restrictions are absolutely absurd. New York state people have started a movement to abolish screen censors and theirs are much more sensible than the purists who have been wished upon Pennsylvania. The moving picture business has reached a standard of excellence where the large concerns that supply 95 per cent of the picture shows of the country cannot afford to release an indecent or otherwise offensive film and the people of this state should demand the right to read these pictured stories in the ways the authors prepared them to be read.

We need not accept as conclusive evidence of their culpability the indictment of Senator Newberry of Michigan and others charged with corruption in securing his election. If his guilt is proved he should be punished; but is is just as well to bear in mind that the administration intensely desires a few more Democratic senators and and has never taken the first step towards investigating a dozen far more scandalous matters than this in which its own supporters or appointees were involved. The opportunity to investigate alleged misfeasances of a Republican senator must seem almost providential to the department of justice at this crisis, when its failure to deport the anarchists and the disclosure that so many of its agents—Howe, Malone and others—were sympathetic with the Bolshevists and have seemingly been shielding them as far as possible and turning them loose at every chance have raised a storm of criticism throughout the land.—Rochester Post Express.

To all readers who like their fiction with a kick in it the MINER recommends the new serial which will start in this paper at an early date. It is a story of Tarzan, the man whom apes adopted, a character well known to readers of light fiction. This story tells of strange and thrilling adventures, of wondrous treasure and of wild humans and animals in the heart of mysterious Africa. It is in fact a brand new Tarzan yarn,, with a dash of She and King Solomon's Mines; a story that will make you sit up nights and end each chapter with a gasp. Watch for the opening chapters and don't fail to read it all. As a thriller it certainly classes among the best. If you are not a subscriber this is a splendid time to join the MINER family and enjoy the new yarn.

The day after he got his coal strike injunction Mr. Palmer could have been elected President. Now he couldn't be elected dog-catcher.

No Republicans voted in Mississippi at the last election and only 10,000 Socialists. The Democrats were virtually unopposed. A more unhealthy condition of the body-politic would be very hard to imagine.

From all parts of the country—we might say from all the world—comes appeal for "something to tie to." Any stabilizing influence is like a cooling draught to a fever patient. Under such conditions especial significance attaches to the attitude of the farmers as revealed in local and in national assemblages. It is unmistakable and it is gratifying and reassuring as it is plain. The feet of the farmer are on the ground, his head is cool, his mind is clear and his memory good. He has learned well that talk, legislation and wild-eyed isms are mighty poor fertilizer for his turnips. Many, many times a day he encounters the fact that getting something from nothing and keeping it is a dream—a nightmare, rather. And don't forget that the owner and the tiller of the soil will defend his home and his country to the last ditch.—Kennebec Journal.

McKean county is moving up the honor roll list in the matter of War Saving and Thrift Stamps. Sales are certainly booming in these lines and every day more people are making Thrift a part of their day's program. Keep up the work for the good of yourself and the good of your country.

It was long the custom of the Bryan and Wilson Democrats to sneer at the so-called Dollar Diplomacy of the Republican party: that policy which held that a nation making friends in the outer world need not be above making money too. Putting aside the Republican variety of Dollar Diplomacy, Secretary Bryan, when he became head of the Department of State under Woodrow Wilson, started a new kind of Dollar Diplomacy by taking on some further alliteration. His policy became Diplomatic Desks and Dollars for Deserving Democrats. He filled the Diplomatic service with gentlemen who had supported him at so many national conventions. Bryan is out. Some of his creatures remain in office. But there is now a third kind of Dollar Diplomacy under Mr. Wilson. It has been functioning in Mexico for some time. Dollar Diplomacy, not with a vengeance but without one. "Slap us," says Mr. Wilson's Administration to all the nations, "and we will pay you to stop slapping us." Why not transfer the work of the State Department to the Secretary of the Treasury?—New York Sun.

Smethport must make a concentrated effort to establsh new industries in this town. Other towns in this part of the state have secured silk mills and as material conditions seem to be the same in this town, there seems to be no good reason why Smethport should not do likewise. A canning factory has recently seemed an excellent possibility, due to the improved methods of farming and fruit raising in this vicinity. It is certainly time that some serious attion was taken to improve our industrial condition.

Keep the Red Cross Christmas Seals in mind. Buy a few every day.

JUST JOTTINGS

MOTHER GOOSE TO DATE.

Queen in the parlor, counting hubby's money;
King in the kitchen, looking pretty runmy;
Sally in the cellar, tanking up on ale—
Along comes a Fed. cop and Sally lands in jail.

We have heard people who would not know the difference between a cabaret from a tabaret if they should meet both animals on the highway mourn over the licensed wickedness of the former of which they have gained a faint idea by reading Sunday newspaper supplements. Wonder if these same people know that cabaret features are now introduced into religious revival meetings? Just a few days ago we read of jazz music, featuring a slide-trombone soloist, being used as an incentive to turn sinners toward the fold at Kane. Someway or other these trimmings to religious affairs interest us strangely and if a suggestion from a degenerate, who spends part of his time writing junk to fill this space, is not out of order, why not add the missing detail and have some of the brothers and sisters "shimmey" down the aisle in quest of converts.

The Pamphlet, Chas. J. Bangert, editor, another little magazine, whose sole object seems to be a desire to place the editor's viewpoint of affairs on record, has made its appearance. It is entertaining to a considerable degree, but is not as good (or as bad take your choice) as The Hammer which it somewhat resembles. These little publications, while coming in for some sharp criticism from people always on the lookout for something to criticise, are nevertheless capable of bringing an occasional laugh into the general scheme of things and for that reason alone should enjoy prosperity. In these topsyturvey days it's the only kind of a smile you can get; therefore let 'em rave—there is no law compelling purists to read these piffling publications.

TURN TO PRIVATE CURRENCY

People of Siberia Satisfied With the Trade Checks That the Merchants Have Issued.

Private trade-checks, issued by firms and wealthy individuals, have largely replaced the national currency in Siberia. The ruble—in any form outside the metal disk—is too unstable to be accounted of real value and the workman who finds himself with pockets full of "Ousk" or "Kerensky" currency need hold no fear of being considered a plutocrat. For the ruble, up to a few months ago worth half a dollar in exchange, has diminished to somewhat less than four cents, face value. True, the green paper variety labeled "Kerensky" commands a higher premium than do the yellow-backed bills of Ousk; true, again, the tender of the former is worth more than either of the two aforementioned. But for all practical purposes the people of Vladivostok receive and demand—quite as a matter of course—the quaint slips issued by their tradesmen. Enterprise on the part of the merchants, it may be observed, keeps pace with the times; for example, one Vladivostok restaurateur has had his checks made to read: "American Grill. Two Rubles. Not Good for Ever."

Bludgeons for Blockheads.

A word to the wise—a club to the otherwise.—Boston Transcript.

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Shoes at this store have not reached the high prices predicted and we can furnish footwear for every member of the family. Everything from heavy work shoes for the men to dainty pumps for the ladies.

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The Miner $2 per year

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Three new styles at $6.00 6.50 6.75

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Two new ones. Sewed and nailed extra values $6.25

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1.25 to 4.75

Infants. A new creeper

With double protected toe pieces

1.75 pair

other from 59c up

Masser Brothers Co.

THE DEPENDABLE STORE PHONE-149

McKean County Miner

Thursday, December 11, 1919.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

—S. F. Redfield was a Buffalo, N. Y., business visitor the first of the week.

—Ralph Rice left Tuesday for Brookville, Pa., where he will be employed.

—Miss Katie Frauzen has returned to her home in Port Allegany until the hat season opens.

—Mr. and Mrs. Albert Hubbard of Erie were recent visitors of S. W. Hubbard and family.

—Your attention is directed to the statement of the Grange National Bank which appears in to-day's MINER

Andrew Peterson of Mt. Jewett spent the week end here, a guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. M. G. Oakley.

—A surprise party was held on Lawrence Coon at his home in East Smethpott, Nov. 25 1919. Supper was served to about thirty young people all reported a fine time.

—Herbert Anderson, Pete Peterson, Carl Benson, Harry Keltenbeck and Benjamine Dane from Mt. Jewett were in Smethport Sunday evening.

Mrs. E. L. Keenan entertained in a most delightful manner last Thursday, twelve ladies at a one o'clock luncheon at her home on Main street.

—Miss Ruth Hunter is again able to resume her work at Chas. W. Masser's hardware store after being confined to her home for a week by illness.

—Mrs. Editha Howard and grandson of Williamsport, and Mrs. Hogarth of Smethport were recent guests of Hon. and Mrs. Josiah Howard. Emporium Independent.

—The gas service has been unusually poor in Austin so far this winter. In different parts of the town there are times when there is not enough gas to light and at any time not enough to keep sufficiently warm by if it is at all cold.

—"Bucktail Post" is the name of the American Legion which was recently organized at Smethport. And thus the name of that famous Pennsylvania regiment of Bucktails will be kept. Dr. W. A. Ostrander was elected commander.—Shinglehouse Mail.

Warm Rooms Guaranteed

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PIPELESS CALORIC FURNACE

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THE ORIGINAL PATENTED PIPELESS FURNACE

Saves fuel, work and worry. One fire takes the place of many and positively guaranteed to heat your room to 70 degrees in the coldest of weather.

More than 76,000 **CALORICS** are giving satisfactory and economical service in all types of houses up to 18 rooms in size and in churches, stores, factories and other buildings.

You may learn more about the **CALORIC** and what it will do for you by calling on us or writing us for our interesting literature.

"The Corner Hardware."

B. T. GARLICK

—Miss Carrie A. Day was an Olean visitor Tuesday.

—Mr. and Mrs. Frank Burdick are attending State Grange at Pittsburg.

—L. E. Edwards of Betula was a caller at this office Monday.

—J. A. Clay of Sergeant made the MINER a visit Tuesday.

—W. P. Merrit of Warren was in attendance at court this week.

—Mrs. J. C. Backus and Mrs. D. M. Brasted were Buffalo visitors this week.

—Miss Carrie Oviatt and Mrs. Sarah Armstrong are visiting in Burghill, Ohio.

B. T. Garlick has been confined to his home for the past two weeks with a case of quinsy.

—Mr. and Mrs. Wright C. Smith are in Oswego, called there by the serious illness of Mr. Smith's father.

Mrs. M. Jennie Griffith of Ebensburg, Pa., will be the guest of her neice, Mrs. R. C. Gleason for a few days.

—The Conondda Camp Fire members were entertained Tuesday evening by Mrs. Frank Pierotti at her home on Franklin street.

—Mrs. R. C. Gleason has returned from New York City, accompanied by her sister, Miss Kate Ryan, who will be her guest for a few weeks.

—Miss Esther Cox has returned to her home in Akron, Ohio, after spending the past few days at the home of Lawrence Coon of East Smethport.

—Miss Cora A. Robinson, who is representing the Northwestern Anti-Tuberculosis movement in this district, is in Smethport this week.

—The MINER is in receipt of a fitting obituary notice of Mrs. Myrtilla Cummings Taylor who died November 19. 1919 which will appear next week.

—What shall I buy him. This question would be almost a riddle if Monheimers ad. did not appear in today's MINER. Read his Christmas offering.

—Mrs. T. F. Hungiville entertained the members of the Victory bridge club at a six o'clock dinner last evening at her home on Franklin street.

Paul, nine year old son of Walter Daly was taken seriously ill last Thursday afternoon while attending school, his father was sent for who came and took him to his home on mechanic street and lated to the Bradford hospital where on Monday morning he underwent an operation for appendicitis. He is getting along as well as can be expected.

—Saturday afternoon, Mrs. Lloyd Kohn, who with her mother, Mrs. J. B. Simpkins of Sheffield were packing their household goods at their former home on King street had the misfortune to have her skirt take fire while in front of an open stove burning same off and inflicting slight burns to Mrs. Kohn's legs. The fire was quickly extinguished and Mrs Kohn was able to leave yesterday with her mother for their home.

CORYVILLE

Mrs. Anna Rice was in Smethport Saturday having dental work done.

Mr. and Mrs. Adelbert Graves of Eldred are guests of the latter's sister, Mrs. Beebe.

Miss Alberta Rice of Larabee was a recent guest of Mrs. Mildred Haynes

Mrs. Jessie Washburn was a business visitor in Eldred Monday afternoon.

Buy a Home NOW

and you will undoubtedly save money on the purchase price. I have numerous properties listed at terms that cannot fail to interest prospective buyers. A few of them are mentioned as follows:

House and Lot, East Smethport, 8 rooms. Price $1000.

House and Lot, Willow street, Smethport. Price $800.

House and Lot, Water street, Smethport, $750.

House and Lot, East Smethport, $1,100.

Fine House and two Lots on Water street, Smethport, $1,800.

Eight rooms House, Willow street, Smethport, $2000.

Building Lots and attractive farm bargains also listed.

M. S. GEARY

REAL ESTATE AGENCY

SMETHPORT

Mrs. A. E. Rice and daughter Alberta of Larabee, were guests of the formers parents, Mr. and Mrs. Volney Washburn last Thursday.

Mrs. Mildred Stewart daughter Mary of Bordell are visiting her mother, Mrs. Mary McGuire.

Mr. and Mrs. William Johnson daughter Freda of Slack hollow, were Sunday guests of Mrs. Johnson's brother Frank Shick and family.

Mrs. Ruth Parker visited relatives in Olean a few days this week.

James Parker was in Eldred Friday on business.

Miss Edith Lippart of Clearfield Pa. visited at the home of her uncle J. A. Sparks for a few days.

Mrs. Frank Walker of Chrystal is staying with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Moody, during the winter.

D. Gale returned recently from Paulsboro, N. J. where he visited his sons, Earl and Lowell, Gale also his niece Mrs. Robert Raymer and family.

Mrs. George Haynes returned on Monday to her home at Sartwell, after a visit with her son, Joseph Haynes and family.

George Moody who has been seriously ill for the past two or theee weeks is able to sit up a little while each day. It will be some time before Mr. Moody will be able to resume his work in the store.

Mrs. E. G. Fairchild was in Eldred Friday, a guest of her daughter Mrs. F. E. Trank, Master Gordon Trank returned home with her for a visit.

REPORT OF SALES OF WAR SAVING STAMPS AS CREDITED TO THE VARIOUS POST OFFICES IN McKEAN COUNTY

Col. 1, list of McKean Co. Postoffices.

Col. 2, number of Thrift Stamps sold during the month of November.

Col. 3, number of W. S. S. sold during the month of November.

Col. 4, number of W. S. S. sold from Jan. 1 1919 to December 1, 1919.

Betula	400	10	
Bradford	1104	786	3507
Burrows	55	0	9
Clermont		1	
Colegrove	90	14	95
Coryville	106	4	63
Crosby	34	44	127
Custer City	181	30	197
Dallas City	39		14
Degolia	0	0	67
Derrick City	79	5	49
Duke Center	43		172
E. Smethport	100	0	16
Eldred	200	75	471
Gifford	0	0	20
Kane	275	25	2665
Kushequa	25	13	332
Lafayette	8	1	53
Lewis Run	100	7	
Ludlow	299	15	90
Mt. Alton	75	4	27
Mt. Jewett	326	231	1193
Norwich	243	8	372
Ormsby	59	0	70
Port Allegany	434	117	1265
Red Rock	8	8	21
Rew	278	8	14
Rixford	83	10	295
Smethport	381	84	1869
Turtle Point	95	4	127
Westline	0	0	8

$100 CERTIFICATES SOLD.

Smethport—32; Port Allegany—6

$1000 CERTIFICATES SOLD.

Betula—1 through the Hamlin Bank & Trust Co.

Marvindale—1 through Grange National Bank.

Smethport—3 through Grange National Bank.

TOTALS.

Thrift Stamps—October, 4,042; November, 5,120.

War Savings Stamps—October, 1,390; November, 1,494.

Total Sales of stamps from Jan 1 to Nov. 29, 1919 amount to $65,145

H. J. Rice,
County Chairman.

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN

Let us make your

XMAS

shopping a pleasure instead of a burden. Here you will find things that both men and boys like, things that they want to own and wear. A few minuets of your time will reveal quite a list: Silk Hosiery, wonderful silk ties, mufflers, Initial handkerchiefs, Wool or Kid Gloves, Belts, Suspenders, Fur Caps, Shirts of every description, Sweaters, Bathrobes and many other gifts, both attractive and inexpensive.

Wm. Monheimer

Smethport

Pictorial Patterns. Arrow Shirts.

THE FRY COMPANY

The Christmas Store

Complete your gift list now while the getting is good. In these days its mighty hard to get everything you want just when you want it, so we say Complete the list now while the stocks are so ample that a change can be made very satisfactorilly in case not getting everything as originally planned. The store just now abounds with suitable gifts for all ages and circumstances of life for men, women and children.

Toys Games Books Dolls Furs Coats Waists Gloves Underwear Hosiery Neckwear Silks Dress Goods Linens Handkerchiefs Boudor Caps Writing Paper Bags Purses Bath Robes Infants Wear Petticoats Sweaters etc.

For men

Shirts Collars Neckwear Gloves Hosiery Suspenders Garters Sweaters Underwear etc.

The kind of stuff that will please a man.

THE FRY COMPANY

THE END OF THE YEAR

is drawing near. Would you like to save more money next year than you did this year?

Make it a point to deposit a certain sum each week in an interest bearing account. Make the amount as much as you can reasonably stand, and then stick to it.

Hamlin Bank & Trust Company

Smethport, Pennsylvania

THE GRANGE NATIONAL BANK

SMETHPORT, PA.

MORE EGGS

Here is your opportunity to become acquainted with REEFERS MORE EGG TONIC. It makes hens lay in a wonderful manner and thousands of users are delighted with the quick results.

Within two or three weeks the increased production is noted and keeps up in a surprising manner.

For a short time only you can get two $1.00 packages for $1.00. Inquire about it right now of

M. E. Warren *Phone 84W*

REEFERS AGENCY Mechanic St. *Smethport, Pa.*

PROMINENT MEN IN XMAS APPEAL FOR ARMENIANS

Former President Taft Leads in Eloquent Plea for Support of Near East Relief.

To save the lives of 800,000 people in Armenia and other western Asian countries and to care for more than 250,000 orphans who are homeless there former President William Howard Taft, Henry Morgenthau, former ambassador to Turkey, and Alexander J. Hemphill, the New York banker, as members of the Executive Committee of Near East Relief, the former American Committee on Armenian and Syrian Relief, have issued a Christmas appeal for continued support of this organization and its work.

Near East Relief is now operating under a government charter and is practically alone in the western Asian field, the Red Cross several months ago having announced its withdrawal.

The Christmas letter, a classic of its kind, is as follows:

"Dear Friend—Another little child has shriveled up and died.

"The mother, creeping back, gaunt and cold, from the desert, has put down the thin little bones with those that strew the road and has sunk beside them, never to rise again.

"Only a little child and a mother out on the bleak Armenian road! But what is that vision hovering there and what is that voice the cold winds bear to the ears of our souls—'I was hungry and ye gave me no meat; I was naked and ye clothed me not.'

"Today—yes, today—while we are preparing our gifts for Christmas, many more of these little children—not a hundred nor a thousand, but 250,000 of them—are still wandering uncared for and alone in that dead land, 'their weazened skins clinging in fear to their rattling bones,' and they are crying out with gasping breath, 'I am hungry, I am hungry!' And the voice of one who watches us as we prepare gifts to celebrate his birthday comes again to the ears of our souls—'I am hungry! I am hungry!! I am hungry!!!'

"Now, the children and the mothers in Armenia are dreading the winter. 'Just human remnants they are,' not protected, many of them, from the elements by even the dignity of rags. The most favored have merely shredded rags.' How shall we sing our Christmas songs and laugh and light the candles and give beautiful gifts while that pleading voice cries in the ears of our souls, 'I am naked and cold—naked and cold?'

"But we can feed and clothe these perishing ones—some of them—before it is too late. Herbert Hoover has enabled from the Caucasus 'It is impossible that the loss of 200,000 lives can at this day be prevented, but the remaining 750,000 can possibly be saved.' They need not starve and freeze and die if we will save them. In the name of him who saw the multitudes 'as sheep not having a shepherd and was moved to pity' 'on toward them,' who cried when His disciples would turn them away, 'They need not depart, give ye them to eat' open your heart and purse and give to those Christians whom he loves, who are suffering for him and with whom he is suffering. They need not die. Give ye them to eat.

"Fifteen dollars a month will provide food, clothes, shelter and education toward self support for one orphan child.

"Ten dollars a month will provide food, clothes and shelter for one orphan child.

"Five dollars a month will provide food for one orphan child.

"He fed 5,000 hungry people in the wilderness and said to his followers, 'The things that I do shall ye do also, and greater things than these shall ye do.' Today nearly 800,000 destitute Armenians—his people—need food and clothing.

"He took little children in his arms and blessed them. Today will you take one or more of these sad, cold, hungry little children of Armenia into your arms and heart in his name and give them food and warmth and life?

"What a joyful Christmas it will be when with your songs and your laughter you hear a voice of wondrous sweetness speaking to you, 'O, ye blessed of my Father, I was hungry and ye gave me meat; I was naked and ye clothed me; inasmuch as ye have done it to these, my brethren, ye have done it to me.'

"In his name.

"Faithfully yours,

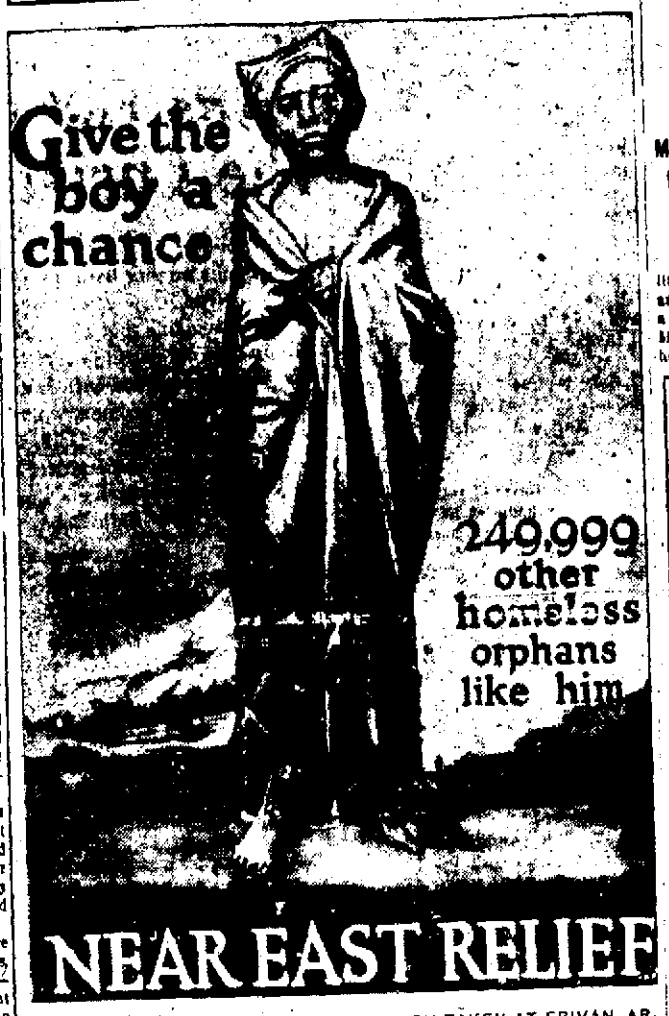
"WILLIAM H. TAFT.
"ALEXANDER J. HEMPHILL.
"HENRY MORGENTHAU."

For Executive Committee, Near East Relief.

BANDITS ATTACK HARBORD, THINKING HIM ARMENIAN

Because he and members of his party were mistaken for Armenians, Maj. Gen. James G. Harbord, head of the American Mission to Armenia, narrowly escaped death at the hands of a band of marauding bandits a few miles from Mount Ararat. Major General Harbord has just returned to the United States and made a report to President Wilson on the distressing conditions in the Near East, where American charity is saving thousands of lives through the Near East Relief.

Burlap Bag His Only Garment



POSTER BASED ON ACTUAL PHOTOGRAPH TAKEN AT ERIVAN, ARMENIA, BY DR. M. S. LITTLEFIELD.

He is only one of 250,000 helpless child victims of Turkish cruelty and oppression in Western Asia. Glad just as he stands in the picture this forlorn little fellow, with hunger-stricken cheeks, hopeless mouth and frail, starved body, was found wandering in the streets of Igdir, Armenia, by Dr. Milton S. Littlefield of the Near East Relief. He was taken to a Near East Relief orphanage, where it was found that his only earthly possession was the single garment in which he stood—a worn, patched blanket made from a burlap sack.

"I saw this ragged little fellow on one of the busiest business streets of Erivan, not far from the orphanage," said Dr. Littlefield. "He was wandering aimlessly about and no one was paying the slightest attention to him. I did not pose him; the picture shows just the way he stood when I backed him up against a nearby wall."

The photograph is the basis of a striking poster now being distributed by Near East Relief.

An American $2 Bill Did This

BEFORE.

AFTER

Motherless, fatherless, homeless nameless, hungry and clad only in rags, the pathetic little three-year-old shown at the left wandered into a Near East Relief orphanage in Armenia. Another photograph of the same child, shown at the right, was taken a week later, this time showing him happy, well clothed and well fed.

Somewhere in America is the happy man or woman who contributed the $2 bill which wrought this miracle. More than a quarter million other helpless little victims of Turkish cruelty and oppression are knocking at the doors of the Near East Relief orphanages in Western Asia. Many more American $2 bills are needed now to let them in and to care for them until they can care for themselves.

ALLENBY STOPS CRAFT OF TURK

Persecution of Armenians and Confiscation of Property Prevented by English Officer.

The most arbitrary city boss in the world—it seems safe to say, as well as the most unscrupulous politician of modern times, has turned up in Aintab, Armenia, to judge from an official report recently made by Major Stephen Trowbridge, under Gen. Edmund H. H. Allenby's orders.

He is a Turk named Beslm Bey. Until the Near East Relief agents stopped him, he practiced upon the terrified Armenians such forms of super-graft as might well make every other corrupt politician in the world green with envy, and such cruelties as make all other heartless rulers, from Nero down, seem sweet and gentle characters. His office was that of Municipal Chief Accountant of Aintab; but, as all dishonest officeholders know, it isn't the job that matters, but the sugar-plums that go with it. Beslm Bey plucked sugar-plums with both hands, night and day.

Even inspired city bosses have their day. Beslm Bey's came when the Near East Relief agents found that no thorough Armenian relief work could be done in that city while such conditions of terrorization existed. General MacAndrew ordered the arrest and removal of the six worst Turks in the ring that ruled the city, and Beslm Bey qualified, as usual, for first place.

WOMEN WAR WORKERS, EAGER TO SERVE, GO TO AID ARMENIANS

Mary Vail Andrees, Only Woman to Receive Distinguished Service Medal, Heads Party.

Dissatisfied with uneventful civilian life, after two years' vivid experience as workers abroad in the world war, a party of young women, led by Miss Mary Vail Andrees, of New York City, have just gone to the Near East,

MISS MARY VAIL ANDREES,
Distinguished Service Heroine Who Now Goes to Near East.

where nearly a million people are suffering from disease and starvation.

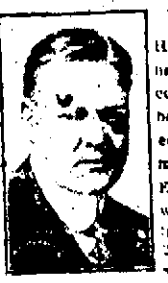
Miss Andrees had returned to this country after serving for the Red Cross, but when she read of the sad plight of the Armenians, she at once offered her services to Near East Relief, the former American Committee on Armenian and Syrian Relief, which already has saved thousands of lives in Western Asia. Miss Andrees is the only American woman war worker who was awarded the Distinguished Service Medal by Congress. Most of the other members of her party likewise served with honor for the Red Cross and other war service organizations.

Among the other members of the group are the Misses Frances and Hetty Anderson of New Canaan, Conn., who were decorated with the Croix de Guerre by the French Government; Miss Margaret Milne of Washington, D. C., who was a member of the Hoover Relief Commission for Rumania, and Miss Alex Sidney, an English woman who served for three years with the British Relief Commission in Serbia. Miss Doris Nevin, another member of the party, is a daughter of the late Ethelbert Nevin, the composer.

Col. William N. Haskell, commissioner to the Near East for the Paris Peace Commission and official representative of the Near East Relief, has cabled that the relief workers now in the field are overwhelmed by the magnitude of their task. Col. Haskell says 800,000 Armenians will starve before the next harvest unless they are given aid and 120,000 orphan children face death from hunger and exposure.

Thousands of refugees are daily being brought to the relief centers from the deserts.

Near East Situation Now "Most Desperate in World," Says Hoover.



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Herbert Hoover.

Herbert Hoover, who has now become a member of the Executive Committee of Near East Relief, which is caring for nearly 2,000,000 Armenian and Syrian refugees and who, if any one, speaks with authority when he tells of human suffering, says in a formal statement:

"In my opinion, the situation in the Near East is the most desperate in the world."

Mr. Hoover has sent a letter to Cleveland H. Dodge, treasurer of Near East Relief, 1 Madison avenue, New York, in which he says:

"In accepting your invitation to become a member of the Executive Committee of the Near East committee, I do so with reluctance, but out of a sense of duty towards one of the most difficult situations in Europe. Until some political settlement can be obtained for the Near East, and some government established in responsibility for the care and repatriation of the Armenian population in the Caucasus, this mass of people must live slowly by the charity of the United States. There are in the Caucasus approximately 1,800,000 Armenians, of whom 800,000 are entirely destitute—refugees from Turkey—and amongst them a tremendous mass of children.

"I cannot too strongly urge upon the members of the committee and their supporters the critical necessity of concentrating every possible effort to support Colonel Haskell's administration in the amounts that he requires; otherwise we shall witness one of the greatest tragedies of the entire war."

DEATH RATE DROPS WHEN RELIEF ARRIVES

Lives of thousands of Armenian children already have been saved by the Near East Relief taking over the Armenian orphanages, according to detailed reports, which have just reached the headquarters of that organization. These institutions had been run by the Armenians since the beginning of the war to care for the children whose parents had been murdered by the Turks. Because of lack of food, clothing and medicine, the death rate among the children in these institutions averaged as high as twenty or thirty a day in some cases.

When Armenian funds became inadequate the Near East Relief took charge of the orphanage. Since that time the death rate has been greatly reduced. Given good food and care the children are quickly returning to normal physical and mental condition.

It is estimated by persons who have made a survey of Armenia that 120,000 children will die during the next year unless they are given food and care. Near East Relief is the only organization now operating in Western Asia and it is making an appeal to save these Christian children.

MORGENTHAU PLEADS FOR HELPING HAND IN THE NEAR EAST

Former Ambassador to Turkey Says America Should Not Let Armenian Allies Starve.

By HENRY MORGENTHAU,
Former Ambassador to Turkey and Leader in Near East Relief.

If they were good enough to fight and die for us when we needed their help so sorely, they are good enough now to share some meager little crumbs from our plenty when they have nothing, when hundreds of thousands of them are homeless, unclad, foodless and threatened with extermination by their enemies and our own.

Not far from a million Christians have been murdered by their Turkish oppressors. Hungry, terror stricken hundreds of thousands of refugees now look to the United States for succor.

Have Trust in America.

We cannot refuse. Next to their faith in God is their trust in the disinterested good will and generosity of

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HENRY MORGENTHAU.

the American people. They look to us as the human agency to extricate them from the frightful situation in which they have been left as a consequence of the war.

If we should fail to aid them, starvation and the winter's cold would go far to completing the work done by the unspeakable Turk.

I have not seen with my own eyes the misery in which the Armenians now exist. I have been spared that. But the reports which have been brought in by agents of the Near East Relief and by representatives of the Peace Conference paint a picture of wretchedness inconceivable to those who have not a first hand impression of the savagery of the Mussulman.

Exiled From Homes.

Since the beginning of the war the Turkish Armenians have been largely refugees from their homes. A simple agricultural people, they have been exiles from their farms, deprived of all opportunity to support themselves. Year by year their sufferings have increased. Now, a year after fighting has ceased, they are still living the life of nomads, able to continue to keep alive only by virtue of American philanthropy.

These homeless people—"filthy infidels" to the Turk—were good enough to exert their poor might in our behalf while the war was still in the balance. Massacres of a half century had not so broken their spirit that they dared not fight for right and for democracy when justice was the issue. We accepted their aid then. Surely we shall not pass them by without compassion now.

The day has passed when any self respecting man dares permit absorption in his own personal affairs to exclude consideration of his neighbor's well being. No honorable man can knowingly allow his neighbor to hunger or to go unclothed. The Christian peoples of the Near East are our neighbors. The money needed to relieve them can be spared without causing any man, woman or child in the United States to suffer.

Must Not Rest on Past.

In other years of our own free will we sent missionaries to Turkey. Our schools and colleges and hospitals have played a wonderful role in humanizing that dark spot in the world. Our ideas, our educational resources, our material equipment, have been leaven in the Near East. Because we have done well in times past we have this great opportunity for the present.

The Armenians have been treated as perhaps no people in history have been treated because they are the spiritual brothers of western races.

Will America help them? There can be but one answer. Their necessity is dire, but our power is great. We are wealthy. We are a member of the family of nations. Our brothers call us. Food, clothes, money, are immediately wanted. If ever unmerited suffering called for succor the plight of the Armenians should be heeded now. A few months more and it may be relief will be too late for the myriads whom only we can succor. We shall not fail them.

Famous Women Adopt Armenian Waifs

There are at least three happy little Armenians in this holiday season among the more than a quarter of a million pitiable little waifs who are innocent victims of Turkish barbarity. These three have found fairy godmothers in these famous American women, Mrs. Woodrow Wilson, wife of the President; Mrs. Oliver Harriman and Mrs. Carrie Chapman Catt. It is hoped that thousands of other American women will follow these distinguished leaders and signalize the glad holiday season in America by making happy in the same way thousands of other little orphans in the far-off stricken land where they now are being cared for by Near East Relief, 1 Madison Avenue, N. Y.

LODGE DIRECTORY

F. & A. M.

McKean Lodge, No. 338, meets on the first Wednesday of each month, at 8:15 p. m., at Masonic hall, Main street.

SIDNEY A. BURDICK, W. M.
W. F. SPECHT, Sec'y.

I. O. O. F.

Smethport Lodge, No. 359, meets Friday evenings at 8 o'clock in I. O. O. F. hall. Will work initiatory degree first meeting of each month; 1st degree on second; 2nd degree on third, and 3rd degree on fourth meetings.

CHARLES LEMMLER, N. G.
R. C. GLEASON, Sec'y.

I. O. O. F.

Smethport Encampment, No. 391, meets the first and third Wednesdays of each month in I. O. O. F. hall.

J. A. JOHNSTON, C. P.
J. A. SWANSON, S.

Ideal Rebekah Lodge, No. 88 Meets the 1st and 3rd Monday evenings of each month, at 8 o'clock, in the I.O.O.F. hall.

JOSEPHINE JOHNSTON, N. G.
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P. H. C.

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Mrs. Drake, Sec'y.

One of the Family.

We had a beautiful outdoor wedding for our sister on a September morning. Elaborate floral arches, altar, etc., had been arranged. Our guests were assembled. From out the house came the procession, the minister leading, the bride and bridegroom with their attendants; when to the merriment of all, our family dog joined in the procession, walking along slowly as the rest, and he laid down by the altar during the ceremony.—Chicago Tribune.

Courage.

True courage is a spiritual victory and cannot be marked with a physical label. It is developed and strengthened, as is everything, by exercise. Its index is not in squareness of chin, but in squareness of purpose; not in firmness of lips, but in faultlessly the lips to speak the truth; not in depth of chest, but in depth of soul; not in confident tread, but in walking uprightly. —W. S. C.

Trials of Matrimony.

We were stopping at a hotel, while on our honeymoon, and were trying to hide the fact that we were newlyweds. We succeeded quite well until dinner time. Just as we had reached the center of the big dining hall, a tot stood up on her chair and shouted, "Which one is the bride, mamma?" Every one then knew, by my telltale blushing, that it was I—a most embarrassed bride.—Chicago Tribune.

Freak of Nature.

One might think that the powerful bumblebee and the milkweed would make ideal partners, but such is not the case says the American Forestry Magazine of Washington. These remarkable plants, which not only flow with honey, but also invite their insect guests by a strong honey scent, are utterly ignored by the big hungry bumblebee.

REWARD FOR INDUSTRIOUS CHILDREN

Secretary Glass Issues Certificates of Achievement.

The Secretary of the United States Treasury has authorized the issue of "Certificates of Achievement" to be awarded to those children who through industry and thrift have laid foundation for future success by investing their pennies in Government Savings Stamps.

They are to take the place of the office proposed hand grenade banks which were later cancelled by the decision of the Treasury and War Departments. They are also to serve as high recognition for those children who have enlisted on and after November 11th, 1919, the first Armistice Day anniversary, in the ranks of the Army of Savers.

Part one of the rules governing the award of those Certificates entitles to a "Certificate of Achievement," every child under ten years of age who purchased one Savings Stamp before November 11. A child above ten but not over sixteen, must have purchased two Savings Stamps before Armistice Anniversary Day. These conditions are the same as would have governed the award of hand grenade banks.

Part two of the provision entitles every school pupil to one Certificate if he has purchased on and after November 11th, the first Armistice Day one or more Savings Stamps, and who has joined a Savings Society of his school and thereby has become a regular and systematic saver.

As set forth by the Savings Division of the Third Federal Reserve District these rules are as follows:

Rules Governing the Awards of Certificates of Achievement.

1. Covers Conditions Prior to November 11, 1919.

In pursuance of [illegible] by the Savings Division of the Third Federal Reserve District [illegible] purchase of W. S. Stamps [illegible] below ten years of age and two W. S. S. Stamps [illegible] above that age, not exceeding, however, sixteen years of age, has been announced; and, second, that in lieu of said banks, the Secretary of the Treasury has issued "Certificates of Achievement," to be awarded to children who through industry and thrift have laid a foundation for future success by investing in Government Savings Stamps, the said Saving Division shall make such awards of said Certificates in place of the grenade banks to children as above stated, to-wit: One Certificate to every child below ten years of age who invested in at least one Government Savings Stamp and to every child above ten years of age, but not exceeding sixteen years of age, who saved money and invested it in at least two Government Savings Stamps said purchase to have been made prior to November 11, 1919.

A claimant for said Certificate shall file his application with a teacher who shall recommend the award in accordance with the foregoing rules.

2. Covers Conditions Subsequent to November 11, 1919.

A "Certificate of Achievement" signed by Carter Glass, Secretary of the United States Treasury Department, shall be presented to each pupil enrolled in the public, parochial, normal or private schools, and to students in colleges and academies, of the Third Federal Reserve District, who shall have purchased on and after November 11, 1919, (the first anniversary of Armistice Day) one or more Savings Stamps, and who shall pledge to save systematically during the remaining months of the present school year, provided, however, that such pupil or student shall have become a member, prior to said purchase, of a regularly organized Government Savings Society—which said society shall have been duly organized in pursuance of and in conformity with the requirements of the Savings Division of the said Third Federal Reserve District.

The application for said Certificate shall be filed with a teacher who shall exercise her best judgment as to the merits upon which a child claims his reward.

Rousseau's Patriotism.

Whenever I meditate upon governments I am happy to find in my investigations new reasons for loving that of my own country.—Rousseau.

GEORGE E. LLOYD,
New Director Recently Appointed by Governor Plessmore, of the Third Federal Reserve District.

NEW DIRECTOR OF SAVINGS ISSUES APPEAL TO CO-WORKERS

Asks For Best Effort to Make the Movement a Success.

To Associates and Workers:

It gives me genuine pleasure to convey a word of appreciation and encouragement to you, who have been so helpful in the movement of thrift and economy in this district.

In assuming my new duties as director of this department, I felt greatly inspired by the earnest expression of those who have been associated with the savings work since its inception, have received warm wishes and [illegible] greetings from my predecessors and co-workers of this division. I am therefore greatly encouraged by such [illegible] of effort, of inspiration and of [illegible] to lead them [illegible] to this new [illegible] movement. [illegible] have to bear [illegible] enough real love for our land [illegible] of our [illegible] to stand by [illegible] and [illegible] to the [illegible] and [illegible] and [illegible] and

FAMILY MARKED BY ODDITY

London Newspaper Tells of Strange Fate That Pursued Group Both in Life and Death.

There lived at Ipswich in the reign of William III a family known as the "odd family," a most appropriate name, as the following facts prove, London Answers states:

Every event, good, bad or indifferent, came to that family in an odd year or an odd day of the month, and every person was odd in manner or behavior or appearance. Even the letters of their Christian names always amounted to an odd number.

The father and mother were Peter and Rahab; their seven children (all boys) bore the names of David, Ezekiel, James, Jonas, Matthew, Roger and Solomon. The husband possessed only one leg and his wife only one arm; Solomon was blind in his left eye and Roger lost his right in an accident; James had his left ear torn off in a quarrel. Matthew's left hand had but three fingers.

Jonas had a stump foot, David was hunchbacked and Ezekiel was 6 feet 2 inches at the age of nineteen. Every one of the children had red hair, notwithstanding the fact that the father's hair was jet black and the mother's white.

Strange at birth, all died as strangely.

The father fell into a deep sawpit and was killed, the wife died five days after from starvation. Ezekiel enlisted, was wounded in 28 places, but recovered. Roger, James, Jonas, David and Matthew died in 1713 in six different places on the same day; Solomon and Ezekiel were drowned in the Thames in 1723.

RECALL LEGENDS OF HAWAII

Two Idols, Recently Unearthed, Bring to Memory Folklore Tales Almost Lost to Memory.

Of the two old Hawaiian idols lately found concealed in the earth at Hookaupu, Paukukalo, one, a female idol, is in a fairly good state of preservation. The idol is supposed to be that of Kihawahine, the Undine of Maui myths. Her haunts are the springs at Paukukalo, the Kaunhu pond, and the matchless pools in the wooded glens around Pilholo.—Mokawao.

The legends about her compare with those of the German fairy folklore, and around the charms of her person as she sits combing her wealth of golden tresses at the edge of some bathing pool is woven many a half-forgotten Maori folk tale.

In some of the latest ones she is reputed to have lured two boales at different times on a merry chase only to see her disappear in one or another of the deep, clear-water pools among the wooded glens of Pilholo. One, a doctor, ended his aimless wanderings to her glenwood haunts by becoming a paralytic, the other, a woodcutter, never ceased to describe the charms of this "wonderful woman with the golden hair," always able to elude his embrace, but ever beckoning him on to her lair among the vines and trees and pools and crags of the glens about Pilholo.—Wailuku (H. I.) Times.

The Cynical Actress.

The late Oscar Hammerstein believed that the actresses should lead a pure life.

"Cynical disillusioned actresses are no good," he once said at a dinner. "I remember an actress of mine some years ago who fell down badly in a part I'd given her.

"'Look here,' I said the morning after she'd flopped, 'all the critics say you've not [illegible] enough emotion in the scene where your husband leaves you for a return.'

"'Emotion!' the professional creature gave a start in [illegible]

"'Oh, I don't, don't I?' she sneered. 'Well, look here, Mr. Hammerstein. I've had six husbands—leave me never to return and I guess I know how much emotion ought to be shown in such circumstances as well as anybody.'"

Safe Light for Miners.

Nowadays the intelligent miner carries a package of electricity, about with him while underground. It is a small storage battery attached to the back of his belt, and is connected by a cord with a lamp fastened to the front of his cap. The lamp, provided with a reflector, throws quite a flood of light in front of the miner. But its chief advantage is absolute safety. In olden days miners (who must, of course, have light) carried about with them open flame lamps. These caused innumerable disastrous accidents through ignition of coal dust or gases. Sir Humphry Davy's invention of a safety lamp whose flame was protected by a wire gauze saved an immense number of lives. It is in common use today, but the electric mine lamp is better and more convenient.

Death Took Old and Young.

During the war the London Times, either wittingly or unwittingly, published innumerable items about the very old men and women in the British empire who were dying off. Their great age, their longevity, formed a melancholy contrast to the slaughter of youth then going on in Europe. During six months in 1918, 312 persons over one hundred years old died in the British isles, but the figures of young men who fell during that time before the guns of the enemy and who died with influenza mounted toward a million. Not one of the old he it said in passing, died from "flu."

McKean County

COURT CALENDAR FOR 1920.

	JANUARY.	
January 13th	Argument	2d Tuesday.
	FEBRUARY.	
February 23d	Regular Term	4th Monday.
	APRIL.	
April 19th	Civil List	3d Monday
30 Cases—Watch Book to close March 6, 1920.		
	MAY.	
May 10th	License	2d Monday.
May 13th	Argument	2d Thursday.
May 17th	Naturalization	3d Monday.
	JUNE.	
June 7th	Regular Term	1st Monday.
	SEPTEMBER.	
September 2d	Argument	1st Thursday.
September 13th	Civil List	2nd Monday.
30 Cases—Watch Book to close July 31, 1920.		
	OCTOBER.	
October 4th	Regular Term	1st Monday
October 19th	Argument	3d Tuesday.
	DECEMBER.	
December 13th	Regular Term	2d Monday

SUPREME COURT—1st Monday of May, 1920, at Philadelphia.

SUPERIOR COURT—4th Monday of October, 1920, at Philadelphia.

CROSBY

Anthony Spadafore of Clermont is spending the week end with Miss Mary Smith.

Leon Matteson of Olean spent the week visiting relatives and friends in Crosby.

Miss Hyatt, principal of the Crosby High School has been spending a few days with relatives in Bradford.

Mrs. Archie Dickinson and children of Renova is visiting her sister, Mrs. George Smith.

William Edmunds, who is attending Lima Seminary, spent his Thanksgiving vacation with his parents in Crosby.

Mrs. Kruger returned from Bradford where she has been visiting her daughter, Mrs. Charles Day.

The Misses Hattie Smith, Katherine McDowell of Crosby and Ada Seartoss of Clermont, attended the dance at Betula last Thursday evening.

Mrs. Clarence Catlin and Miss Ruth Eastwood of Skinner Creek are spending a few days in town.

Mrs. Michael McKiernan, who has been confined to her home with a severe attack of tonsilit s, is now able to be around again.

Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Hayes of Warren, who have been visiting Mrs. Hayes parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Cleveland have returned to their home.

Teddy Burns of Bradford attended the dance in Crosby last Friday evening as the guest of Miss Katherine McDowell.

Little Margaret Keyes who had the misfortune to be run over by a Ford truck a few weeks ago, is slowly recovering form her serious injuries.

The S. R. A. Club of Clermont expect to have another real Jazz dance this week Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Cleveland and Mr. and Mrs. John Berg attended the dance in Smethport last Thursday evening and reported a very enjoyable time.

Mrs. Freeman and daughter spent last Friday in Olean.

Mrs. John Berg entertained a party of ladies at her home last Wednesday afternoon.

Miss Katherine McDowell attended the dance in Clermont last Thursday evening.

MT. JEWETT

After a shut-down since May, 1918, the Consolidated Glass Co. put their Mt. Jewett plant in operation Tuesday afternoon and made a fine start. Although the machines were new to the men, they were equal to the situation and are turning out fine glass. The management thought at first that four flattening ovens could handle the glass but they are now compelled to put on the fifth one which proves that the machines are working fine.

During the shut-down period a gas producing plant had been installed another move in their favor as the gas supply became alarmingly low. Mr. Walters, the manager, seems very pleased over the start, as well as the people of Mt. Jewett. It will mean a large amount of money to be distributed in the town.

Mrs. Charles E. Burnside, for the past thirty years a resident of Mount Jewett departed this life on Thanksgiving afternoon after a lingering illness, which dated from 1913 and terminated in a three month's period of semi-unconsciousness. Mrs. Burnside whose maiden name was Christina Holloday, was born in Ontario, Canada On Sept. 25, 1843, of American parentage, was married to Charles E. Burnside on May 25th, 1869. She is survived by her husband, three sisters and one brother, all of the latter residing in the West.

The Mt. Jewett Electric Co. has been somewhat delayed in furnishing the business places with electricity, but owing to the delay of receiving material, the cause cannot be overcome by the Company. At present some of the business places have been lighted up. The different parts for the street lights have not been received as yet so the delay on their part will have to be overlooked.—Herald.

PORT ALLEGANY

The death of Basil E. Marvin took place Friday at his home on South Main Street, after a weeks illness of pneumonia. He was nineteen years of age, and the only son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Marvin. He was born and spent his younger years in Coudersport, coming here with his parents about eight years ago. Funeral services were held Sunday afternoon at the Methodist Church, Rev. C. E. Odell officiating and interment was made in the Fairview Cemetery. The bereaved family have the sincere sympathy of a host of friends in their great loss.

The marriage of Miss Stella D. Lamb and Mr. Samuel S. Salisbury took place at the home of Mrs. John Pugsley at Toronto, Ont., Thursday, November 27th, Rev. Wm. Cameron of Bluer Street Baptist Church performing the ceremony. The bride is well known in Port Allegany, being the youngest daughter of the late John Dick.

The fire alarm was sounded on Saturday morning for a fire at the McNichol Dry Cleaning plant on Pearl street. The fire started in the drying room and was quickly extinguished. An amount of clothing was burned, but otherwise little damage was done.—Reporter-Argus.

ELDRED

Mrs. Clara M. Welch, aged 62 years died at her home in Olean, at about 4 o'clock Monday afternoon. Deceased was a former resident of Eldred, relict of the late J. C. Welch, and a woman who made a large number of friends who mourn her death. She is survived by two sons, Louis J. Welch of Warren, Pa. and Clarence Welch; one daughter, Geraldine Welch; two brothers: P. M. and C. J. Ball; three sisters, Elizabeth M. Ball, Frances D. Ball, of Olean and Mrs. Alfred Kamler of Clinton, Iowa. The funeral was held Thursday morning at 9 o'clock at St. Mary of the Angels church, Rev. Edward J. Rengel officiating and interment made in the St. Bonaventure's cemetery, Allegany.

The Smethport papers have awakened to their sense of responsibility by urging the building of the state road from Farmers Valley through Larabee and Eldred to the state line. With it, and New York connected to the line from Portville, a good road will then be available to the Allegany valley residents that will mean much to the whole district. Olean and Bradford will greatly benefit by the improvement.

Last week Wednesday, at the M. E. parsonage, in Hornell, N. Y., occurred the marriage of Miss Bernice Alberta Hodges and Paul Eugene Galutia, both of that city. The ceremony was performed at 2 o'clock. The groom is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Galutia of Eldred and the newly weds were here to visit his parents on their wedding trip. Mr. Galutia is engaged in business in Hornell and has the best wishes of many friends here.

J. F. Tuohy leaves tomorrow for Texas where he will spend the winter. His son James is located at Ft. Worth. Before leaving Mr. Tuohy was in to look over the map of the oil fields and the location of the Henry lease in which several here are interested.

Last week W. W. Parmeter and J. E. Wright were in Ohio where they leased about 400 acres with the intention of developing. There are ten local men in on the project.—Eagle.

ZERES WAS ACQUITTED

After having been held in the Tombs in New York City for a month charged with robbery, Fotes Zeres was given his liberty in Kane Thursday following a hearing before Emile Stenger, justice of the peace. Insufficient evidence was produced to hold him for the action of the grand jury J. Basil Dolphin represented the plaintiff and R. J. Campbell defended the prisoner.

Zeres' case is familiar to most of the residents of this section. It will be recalled that early in November Tony Magadlan, of Ludlow, was robbed of $360. Suspicion at once pointed to Zefes and he was traced to New York where he was arrested as he was about to sail for Greece. During the month occupied in procuring extradition papers he was held a prisoner in the metropolis.

The vindicated man had little to say following his release from custody to-day. He merely stated that he would abandon his proposed trip to his native country and will remain in Kane and vicinity.—Kane Republican.

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Got His Receipt.

Humorous incidents in connection with the war are not yet exhausted, and Ian Hay gives this one in his latest book, "The Last Million," in connection with the capture of a village from the Germans. A detachment of infantry arrived at the village only to find that a tank had beaten them by four minutes in the race to the market square. The usual young officer was in charge, and when the major came along he handed the village over to his superior officer, and then shyly asked for something to show, "just to show, sir, that we were here first." The major thought he could fix that, and solemnly wrote out a receipt: "Received from the officer commanding British tank Bing Boy the village, in good condition."

Right Spirit.

"Mr. Grabcoin spent thousands of dollars on his daughter's education. She attended some of the most expensive schools in America and Europe. She was taught to sing, to paint, to play various musical instruments and to speak three or four languages."

"Fine."

"But let me tell you how shamefully she repaid her father's tender care. She came back home and married his chauffeur!"

"Splendid! A girl with her wealth and accomplishments might have married a broken-down duke."—Birmingham Age-Herald.

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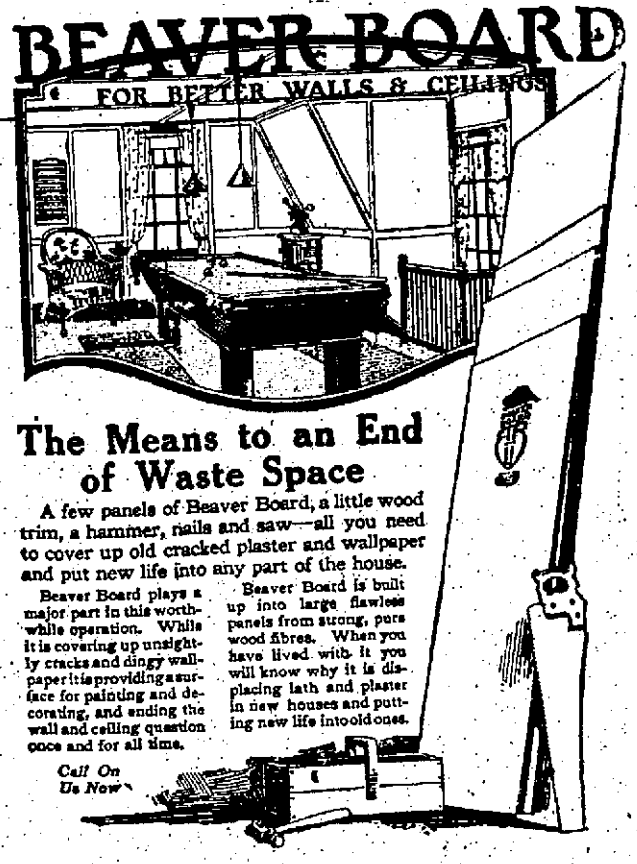

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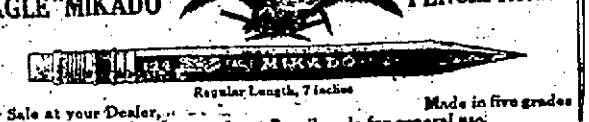

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